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BUMED INSTRUCTION 5450.95B

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: MISSION AND FUNCTIONS OF NAVAL SUBMARINE MEDICAL RESEARCH  
LABORATORY, GROTON, CT

Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 5450 Ser 09B26/549752 of 25 Feb 80  
(b) OPNAVINST 5450.171C (NOTAL)  
(c) OPNAVINST 5450.169D (NOTAL)

Encl: (1) Mission and Functions of Naval Submarine Medical  
Research Laboratory, Groton

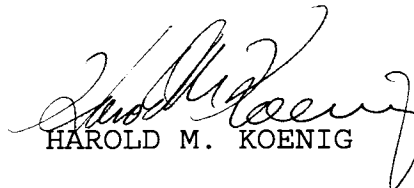
1. Purpose. To issue the mission and functions of the subject activity, in support of the mission assigned by reference (a). This is a complete revision and must be read in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. BUMEDINST 5450.95A.

3. Action. Addressees shall:

a. Ensure performance of the specific mission and functions assigned in enclosure (1).

b. Advise the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) of any recommended modifications to enclosure (1), per references (b) and (c).

  
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MISSION AND FUNCTIONS OF  
NAVAL SUBMARINE MEDICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, GROTON, CT

1. Purpose. To publish the mission and functions of the Naval Submarine Medical Research Laboratory under the mission established by OPNAVNOTE 5450 Ser 09B26/549752 of 25 February 1980.

2. Mission. To conduct medical research and development as it relates to submarine, shipboard, diving, and amphibious environments, and to perform such other functions and tasks as directed by higher authority.

3. Status and Command Relationships. Naval Submarine Medical Research Laboratory is a shore activity in an active (fully operational) status under a commanding officer, and under the command and support of the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery exercised through the Commanding Officer, Naval Medical Research and Development Command, Bethesda, MD. The laboratory is subject to the area coordination authority of the Commander, Submarine Group Two, Naval Submarine Base New London, Groton, CT.

4. Functions

a. Conduct research in the fields of cardiopulmonary, thermal, and hyperbaric physiology, biochemistry, operational psychology, vision, audition, human factors engineering, and other allied sciences as they apply to biomedical programs in operational environments.

b. Serve as a source of scientific advisors and consultants to the Operating Forces and other shore activities.

c. Evaluate medical and related equipment in submarine, diving, amphibious, hyperbaric, arctic, desert, or other operational environments.

d. Conduct medical research clerkship training for medical students and provide appropriate training programs for other personnel as directed by higher authority.

e. Cooperate with the Naval Hospital, Groton and the Naval Undersea Medical Institute, Groton, in support of clinical investigation, specific teaching areas, and laboratory procedures within staff capabilities.

f. Provide or undertake such other appropriate functions as may be authorized or directed by higher authority.